



Resolution No. 05-04

*A Resolution of Support for the Soboba Band of Luiseño Indians
Water and Land Rights Settlement Negotiations
and Support for the Passage of Settlement Legislation*

TRIBAL COUNCIL

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WHEREAS, the Agua Caliente Band of Cahuilla Indians is a federally-recognized Indian tribe governing itself according to a Constitution approved by the authorized representative of the Secretary of the Interior and exercising sovereign authority over the lands of the Agua Caliente Indian Reservation; and

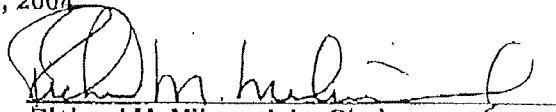
WHEREAS, the Soboba Band of Mission Indians has lived on its federal Indian reservation since at least the late nineteenth century, supporting itself largely on agriculture based on an abundant water supply; and

WHEREAS, the Soboba Band's water supply has decreased since the 1930's when the Metropolitan Water District of Southern California constructed a tunnel through the San Jacinto Mountains, and the Soboba Band has named that district and others in litigation, claiming that the tunnel has disrupted the Soboba Band's water supply; and

WHEREAS, following the conclusion of negotiations, the Soboba Band anticipates introducing legislation shortly to settle its claims;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Agua Caliente Band of Cahuilla Indians does hereby support resolution of the claims of the Soboba Band against the Eastern and Lake Hemet Municipal Water Districts, the Metropolitan Water District, and the U.S. Department of the Interior by legislation that is consistent with federal law and does not infringe on or affect the federally-reserved or other water rights of any other tribe.

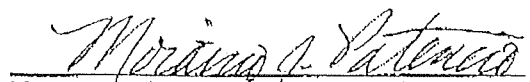
Dated: February 3, 2004



Richard M. Milanovich, Chairman

CERTIFICATION

I, the undersigned, the Secretary of the Agua Caliente Band of Cahuilla Indians, hereby certify that the Tribal Council is composed of five members of whom 5, constituting a quorum, were present at a meeting whereof, duly called, and noticed, convened and held this 3rd day of February, 2004; that the foregoing resolution was duly adopted at such meeting by a vote with an affirmative vote of 4-0-0 members and that said resolution has not been rescinded or amended in any way.



Moraino J. Patencio, Secretary/Treasurer